

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph on page 2, beginning at line 20, as follows:

The applicant of the present invention has proposed an error mail discriminating method in Unexamined Japanese Patent Publication No. 11-15755, its corresponding US Patent Application Number 09/099,528 and its corresponding EP 0 923 034 A1. Specifically, error mail is accompanied with all of the contents of E-mail (hereinafter referred to as original mail) transmitted by the sender. The header of this original message always contains a fixed ~~message~~ message such as "X-mailer: Internet FAX" (hereinafter referred to as "header fixed message"). In addition, document information of the body always includes a message such as "this mail accompanied image data of ITFF-format" (hereinafter referred to as "document fixed message"). Moreover, the first portion of text-format image data of the body always includes a fixed code (hereinafter referred to as "image data fixed coded") such as "~~SUqk...~~" "SUkq..."

Please amend the paragraph on page 13, beginning at line 2, as follows:

A text part (document information) 54 of a body 52 of the original message includes a fixed message such as "this mail is accompanied with image data of TIFF format." This fixed message is called "document fixed message." Moreover, image data is incorporated into an image data part 55 of a body 53 in text format. The first part of this image data contains a fixed code such as [~~SUqk...~~] [SUkq...]. This fixed code is hereinafter called "image data fixed code." IFAX 1 stores these fixed message and fixed code.

Please amend the paragraph on page 20, beginning at line 25, as follows:

More specifically, in ST907, the original message header extracting section 301 extracts the header 51 of original message. Then, the boundary of this header 51 is detected (ST908). Then, the respective parts are identified based on this boundary, and it is confirmed whether or not data is TIFF data for each part. First, in ST909, the first part (text part 54 in FIG. 6) is retrieved. Then, in ST910, a fixed sentence, "Tiff/Image", which indicates that TIFF data exists in this part in a sub-header 70, is fined in the first part. If there is no "Tiff/Image" in the sub-header 70 of the first part, a sub-header 71 of the second part (image part 55 in FIG. 6) is retrieved in ST911. Then, in ST912, "Tiff/Image" of this sub-header 71 is fined in the second part. If there is "Tiff/Image" in either part, it is determined whether or not it is coincident with image data fixed code (~~SUqk~~) (SUkq) in ST913. Then, if it is coincident therewith, processing goes to ST914. If there is no "Tiff/Image" in either part, it is determined that this is not error mail, and normal processing is performed (ST903,904).

Please amend the paragraph on page 21, beginning at line 18, as follows:

In ST913, the image data fixed code comparing section 304 checks whether or not the character string of the top of the image data part 55 of original message 65 coincides with image data fixed code (~~SUqk~~) (SUkq) registered in the fixed data table 305. Here, if both disagree, the determination processing section 500 does not determine that received mail data is error mail in ST903 and performs normal reception processing in ST904 since image data is not TIFF file. In this case, the character string, that is, ~~SUqk~~ SUkq is always added to the TIFF file transmitted by the present apparatus. However, the character string is not limited to the above-mentioned one, and the character string is different depending on the E-mail conversion system.

Please amend the paragraph on page 27, beginning at line 12, as follows:

In ST909, the existence or absence of ~~SUqk~~ SUkq is determined. Transmitting data of IFAX is always sent with the accompanying file, so that the accompanying file is naturally attached to the error mail. The accompanying file is TIFF and ~~SUqk~~ SUkq is added. By detecting the existence of ~~SUqk~~ SUkq, it is judged whether or not data is transmitted by IFAX.

Please amend the paragraph on page 27, beginning at line 19, as follows:

According to the above embodiment, error mail can be determined surely based on the above five conditions. However, the present invention is not limited to these. Error mail may be determined based on at least the existence or absence of [From:] field, the existence or absence of [X-mailer:] field and the existence of ~~SUqk~~ SUkq. The criterion of judgment on error mail can be effectively performed in order of the existence or absence of [From:] field, the existence or absence of [X-mailer:]; field and the existence of ~~SUqk~~ SUkq, existence of text part, existence of original message. Therefore, some conditions may be selected as a criterion of judgment from them.

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Attached hereto are replacement sheets containing Figs. 5 and 6 with the corrections indicated thereon. In particular, each of Figs. 5 and 6 is being amended to change the term "SUqk..." to ---SUkq...---. These changes are being made in accordance with a request by Examiner Lin during a telephone interview conducted on June 12, 2007. These changes are merely intended to correct an inadvertent misspelling of the "well-known format of SUkq". As noted by the Examiner in the Interview Summary related to the above-noted interview of June 12, 2007, the above-noted change does not raise any question of new matter. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully request entry of the hereincontained substitute sheets of drawings containing Figs. 5 and 6.